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**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE**  
**ON**  
**WORKFORCE AND TALENT DEVELOPMENT**

Tuesday, May 09, 2017

9:00 a.m.

Room 326 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Workforce and Talent Development was called to order by the Chair.

Members present: Reps. Frederick, Kahle, Crawford, Iden, Leutheuser, Wentworth, Love, Geiss, Scott.

Absent/Excused: None.

Ken Sikkema and Jeff Guilfoyle, of Public Sector Consultants, presented the results of their study investigating the economic benefits of Michigan's apprenticeship programs. Questions and discussion followed.

Mike Crawford, representing the Michigan Chapter of the National Electrical Contractors Association, and John Banks, President and owner of Motor Shop Electrical, testified in support of the findings of the Public Sector Consultants study and gave an overview of the employer's role in Michigan's apprenticeship programs. Questions and discussion followed.

Shorty Gleason, representing the Michigan Building and Construction Trades Council, testified about the importance of apprenticeship programs for construction and building industries and the economic impacts of apprenticeship programs on their members. Questions and discussion followed.

The Chair laid HB 4545 and HB 4546 before the committee:

HB 4545      (Ellison)      Employment security; other; data sharing; allow for certain purposes and facilitate access.

HB 4546      (Howell)      Employment security; reports; liability for misuse of shared data; extend to persons associated with community college or workforce development agency.

Representative Ellison and Representative Howell testified in support of the proposed substitute H-4 to House Bill 4545 and proposed substitute H-3 to House Bill 4546. Representatives Ellison and Howell detailed the changes made by the substitutes.

Representative Ellison provided testimony about the importance of apprenticeships for construction and the trades industries as a former employee in the construction industry.

Robert LeFevre, representing Michigan Independent Colleges and Universities, submitted a card in support of the bills as substituted but did not wish to speak.

Representative Leutheuser moved to adopt substitute H-4 to House Bill 4545. The motion prevailed 9-0-0

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

Yeas: Reps. Frederick, Kahle, Crawford, Iden, Leutheuser, Wentworth, Love, Geiss, Scott.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Representative Love moved to report House Bill 4545 with recommendation as substituted (H-4). The motion prevailed 9-0-0

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

Yeas: Reps. Frederick, Kahle, Crawford, Iden, Leutheuser, Wentworth, Love, Geiss, Scott.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Representative Wentworth moved to adopt substitute H-3 to House Bill 4546. The motion prevailed 9-0-0

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

Yeas: Reps. Frederick, Kahle, Crawford, Iden, Leutheuser, Wentworth, Love, Geiss, Scott.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Representative Kahle moved to report House Bill 4546 with recommendation as substituted (H-3). The motion prevailed 9-0-0

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

Yeas: Reps. Frederick, Kahle, Crawford, Iden, Leutheuser, Wentworth, Love, Geiss, Scott.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

The Chair returned to presentations and welcomed Todd Peuler, of Fox Brothers Company, to the committee. Todd Peuler testified about efforts by Fox Brothers Company to promote and recruit individuals for their apprenticeship programs. Questions and discussion followed.

Representative Iden moved to adopt the minutes of May 02, 2017. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

There being no further business before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:21 a.m.

**Representative Ben Frederick, Chair**\_\_\_\_\_

Ian Mays, Committee Clerk

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